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MEMORANDUM FOR MR. CHARLES HILL EXECUTIVE SECRETARY DEPARTMENT OF STATE

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EXECUTIVE SECRETARY.
CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY

BRIGADIER GENERAL GEORGE JOULWAN EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT TO THE CHAIRMAN JOINT CHIEFS OF STAFF

SUBJECT:

Special Situation Group (SSG) Meeting August 31, 1983 (C)

The President has approved the following recommendations forwarded to him by the Vice President after yesterday's SSG meeting:

- The Marine Amphibious Ready Group currently in Mombasa, Kenya, will be moved to the Eastern Mediterranean.
- The USS EISENHOWER will be held in the Eastern Mediterranean.
- A demarche will be transmitted to the Syrian Government by Ambassador Paganelli, underscoring our ability and determination to protect U. S. forces in Lebanon with appropriate defensive measures in the event of further shelling of these forces.
- The Congressional leadership will be briefed on these steps taken to improve protection for our forces in Lebanon.

The President has disapproved, subject to further review, transmitting to the Government of Israel a request for an additional delay in the redeployment of Israeli forces from the Alayh and Shouf. (S)

Policial Count Robert M. Kimmitt Executive Secretary

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